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Santa is a surfer



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For the last 27 years, John Fulton has braved the cold temperatures of Lake Erie and the Niagara River two days before Christmas, as Surfing Santa. Fulton does this stunt to raise awareness about homelessness and encourages people to visit his website www.surfsantasanta.com to learn more about his cause.

Charities thankful

Food banks and toy drives serve hundreds of local families

Kris Dubé
The Times

During the holiday season, local schools, businesses, families and individuals do what they can to support causes that benefit the needy in Greater Fort Erie.

Representatives from the major charities involved are all saying this year was something to be proud of, when it comes to the amount of support given to their respective initiatives.

Community and family services manager for the Salvation Army, Donna Paterson, was thrilled with the amount of donations the local food bank received in the months and weeks leading up to the big day, considering the "dramatic increase" of families who sought assistance from their programs.

This season, about 275 families used the Salvation Army as a means of putting a hearty meal on the table.

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Time has a way of healing...

With the holiday season upon us, let us reflect on the past year. Many of those thoughts may be good, but for some in the midst of a journey through grief, the memories and emotions are still painful.

We want you to know that you are in our thoughts and we wish you and your family hope and peace this Holiday Season!

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Volunteers with the Fort Erie Kinsmen's Gift of Love campaign Rick Shular, left, Shirley Plato, Susan Shular, Kelly Kendrick, Sandra Fickel, Mike Fickel, Paul Sherwood and Larry Graber handed out toys to families on Monday at the Salvation Army.

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'People are being very nice,' says COPE

From Page 1

Without the local generosity that has flowed throughout Greater Fort Erie this year, this never would have been possible.

"The response from the community has enabled us to make sure everyone has a great Christmas," said Paterson.

Once the season has cooled down, Paterson said she will take time to reflect on how great the response has been from different parties around town who donated.

"I'll sit down after Christmas and take it all in... I'm just overwhelmed by all the support."

Barb Volzke, manager of Community Outreach Program (COPE), the food bank on Dufferin Street, said this is the time of year when families who rely on their service, struggle the most.

Between gifts for their children, heating bills and winter clothes, these extra expenses that arrive this season can cause financial hardships for low-income families and meals sometimes are considered a lower priority.

"Food sometimes goes to the bottom of the list during a time

"We've had great support from the community"

— Gift of Love co-chair
Paul Sherwood

when it is needed the most," said Volzke.

She said a handful of businesses have gone above and beyond by making donations of \$1,000 or more. And many people have stopped by to donate whatever they can...either way it is greatly appreciated by COPE.

"People are being very nice, it's just wonderful," she said.

Paul Sherwood is the co-chairman of the Fort Erie Kinsmen Club's Gift of Love campaign. The local service club has undertaken this program for over 30 years and for the last two holiday seasons, has partnered with the Salvation Army to deliver toys to local youth.

He said the initiative provided gifts to 250 children, which is consistent with results from previous years.

"We've had great support from the community," he said.

"It's all about serving the community's greatest need... that's our motto," said Sherwood.

Judy Learn from the St. Vincent De Paul, the food bank based out of St. George's Catholic Church in Crystal Beach said the response from the Greater community was one of its best ever.

"This was definitely one of our biggest years," she said. The St. Vincent De Paul served about 170 families and is thankful for local service clubs and businesses who supported its program during the holidays.



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Fire companies to co-locate in new facility

It's looking like two stations of the Fort Erie Fire Department (FEFD) will be working more closely together than they already do.

At Monday night's meeting, council approved a report for informational purposes to co-locate stations 1 and 2, under the same roof at the new facility that is to be built on Central Avenue.

The stations would not be amalgamating, but simply be based out of the same location.

"As the site is located directly between the two districts, there will not be any major operational challenges associated with this co-location," said chief Larry Coplen in the report that was approved by local politicians.

Both fire stations will operate independently out of the same station, maintaining the current organizational structure, as well as skills and equipment inventory, reads the staff report.

The project's overall budget is \$3.5 million.

The architectural steps will cost the Town of Fort Erie slightly less than \$160,000, after \$200,000 was set aside for this purpose. A total of \$312,000 has been spent on land acquisition, geo-technical services and architectural design.

Early in 2012, three committees will need to be struck to focus on building design, association transition and operational transition. The facility will be built to replace station no. 2 on Jarvis Street

that has been deemed no longer suitable for the needs of the fire department.

The hall will service two wards in Greater Fort Erie, but also provide a venue for special events.

"In addition to the day-to-day use of the building as a fire station, efforts have been taken into account to ensure that the facility is a true community asset," said Coplen in the report.

Considering the site's close proximity to the Fort Erie Railroad Museum, the building will have local history incorporated into the plan.

A final design is expected in February 2012. The project will be tendered in March 2012 and a construction contract will be awarded in April.

It is expected the facility will be complete in December 2012 and a full opening will take place in Spring 2013.

A bright Christmas



KRIS DUBÉ Fort Erie Times

Chris and Keri Teal, along with 'Maggie' the golden lab were the grand prize winners of the local Holiday Lights contest, receiving several prizes from local businesses. Their home on Wellington Court in Crystal Beach radiates the neighbourhood with Christmas spirit. For a list of all the winners, visit www.forterietimes.com.

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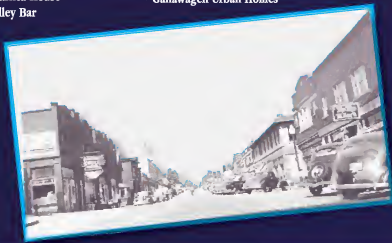
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our editorial

Young girl will be remembered as a hero

Any time of year, it's difficult for a community when it loses someone it has come to know and love over a period of time.

But during the Christmas season, it's even more difficult... especially when it is a young girl that is a shining example of a strong soul, a tough person that still had a positive outlook on life even though theirs was much different than most girls her age.

Kelsey Hill, at the age of 13, lost her battle with cancer last week.

For over a year, the Times has covered her story.

With regret, the courageous young girl's battle came to an end last week and we want to take this opportunity to extend condolences to her friends and large family.

During her fight she raised awareness about Ronald McDonald

House and other charities that benefit children living with a severe illness.

She formed Team Kelsey and the support for her cause was more than enthusiastically embraced by the local community.

Fort Erie lost a wonderful young adult, from what we knew of her... but her name will carry on as a local hero for many generations in the community.

She is no longer in pain and the Times wishes sympathies to all who knew her and are grieving this loss, during such a difficult time.

-Kris Dubé



Do You Remember?

An anonymous caller phoned in about last week's photo of the children at a Christmas concert each holding a letter which spelled out "PEACE".

She tipped us off that the jackets bore the St. Barnabas school insignia. We would still welcome a call from any-

one who knows these children's names.

They represent several grades, but all attended the school in 1976 when this photo was taken.

Remember, it's never too late to phone in about a previous week's photo.

This beautiful photo

shows another Christmas concert; this time at St. Michael's Church about 1981.

We would love to know the names of these angelic children. Please call the Museum at 894-5322 or e-mail us at museum@forterie.on.ca

The holidays are an opportunity to make lasting memories



Sarah Ferguson
Durdiner's Notebook

With just one more sleep until the big day here is, Santa's elves are busy in the North Pole wrapping presents and placing them gently in the sleigh.

The Durdiner are warming up for the big job they have to do—pulling the sleigh of course.

And on Sunday morning,

many little eyes will be wide open and full of delight. Santa will have come and there will be lots of new toys to play with—and perhaps some coal for an unlucky few.

This Christmas Eve, I will spending it the way I always do—the Ferguson family gathers for a big feast of roast beef—it's really turkey, but we call it "roast beef".

My dad makes a few comments—just joking of course—about how the holidays gives his heart grow three sizes too small. I can only assume he will once again don his Grinch T-shirt this year. The Grinch has always been his favourite

character.

As we sit down to dinner, my mother will ask someone to say the blessing and that's when the laughter starts—the tradition of reciting lines from the movie National Lampoon's Christmas Vacation will begin.

"Grace? She passed away 30 years ago," my brother will say.

"No, the blessing. They want you to say the blessing," my other brother will reply.

My mother will make a face that mom's always do when they're serious and usually it's my younger brother who says a prayer before the meal.

By the end of the meal, my family will have recited the entire oldiday movie.

Christmas Vacation is a classic in the Ferguson house around the holiday season.

After dinner, my family celebrates my dad's birthday with a homemade cake—it's usually my younger brother or me that gets the honour of writing "Happy Birthday, Dad" in icing on the top of the cake.

We call my dad's cake a "Charlie Brown cake," because most of the time it ends up in some funny, lopsided shape or the words written in icing are barely legible.

We're not cake makers and

decorators. But, it's the thought that counts isn't it?

On Christmas day it's off to my Grandma's house another feast—this time it's Polish style with tons of sausage, pierogies and salads. My mouth is watering, just thinking about all that yummy food in my near future.

This time spent with my family during Christmas is something that I cherish because I know it won't always be the same.

There's one thing that I've noticed...as I have gotten older, time seems to fly by faster and faster.

It's really important to take the time to cherish all of the

memories that each and every one of us have captured over the years.

My family's Christmas traditions may be strange to some, but to me, it's what I've always done and it's something I will carry on with my own family one day.

This holiday season, I wish each and every one in Fort Erie a very Merry Christmas and a happy New Year too!

Don't forget to make some memories you'll cherish for years to come.

If you'd like to leave me feedback, you can reach me at sferguson@forterietimes.com or by phone at 905-871-3100. Ext. 208.

opinion page

Reader says 'bravo' to Head Injury Association

Dear Editor,

I just want to say bravo to Fort Erie. Once again, the little town that could, does. I am referring to the community spirit and support.

For the last several years, I have had the privilege of touring our local homes in the Head Injury Association of Fort Erie (HIAFE)'s Holiday Home Tour.

I would like to tell you all this is a community funded non profit charity that I am not intimately related to, but as it happens, 25 years ago my nephew Mike was struck by a drunk driver.

Since that time, he and all the people who love him have had to deal with the affects of a traumatic brain injury. So, I do have some

dealing with HIAFE.

This year, after years of taking the tour, I decided to join the committee to help run it. What an eye opener that was. Once again, bravo! To the home owners who generously open their doors and take hours of time and personal expense prepping their holiday showpiece to delight the masses, you are thanked.

To the office volunteers who spend double the time working without financial gratification, we are also grateful.

To the local children who spent their weekends putting flyers on cars...bravo, again.

To the local businesses that posted our flyers or supported our prize bank.

To you, the people of Fort Erie who, for the price of a \$20 ticket, invested in your community.

Bravo!

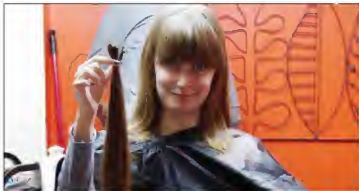
HIAFE services more than 250 families in the Fort Erie area on what can only be described as a shoe-string budget.

I saw this town support my family with such grace and honour 25 years ago and now I am proud to say we have it in us to give our support when so many people are in need. So, again Fort Erie, Bravo!

Have a safe and happy holiday.

Collen Faivre-Radovanovic

Angel Hair for Kids



Lauren Duncan, 13, recently trimmed 14 inches of her hair for Angel Hair for Kids. The grade eight student at Rose Seaton Public School received the cut from her aunt Anita Fiorentino.

The TIMES Asks

How will you be spending the holidays?



Alyssa Billing



John Hill



Gerard Mindorf



Pamela Buklis

"I'm looking forward to spending time with my son and his new fiancé. We're so excited."

"I'm looking forward to some peace and quiet on Christmas."

"I'm looking forward to getting together with my family."

"We're having a special Polish dinner on Christmas Eve in honour of my husband's family tradition."

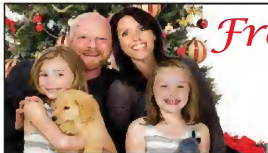
What do you think?

E-mail: editorial@forterietimes.com or call 905-871-3100, ext. 207

Locks of Love



Emily LeBar, a grade two student at Garrison Road Public School recently trimmed ten inches of hair for Locks of Love. Rich Graham, from Cutting Edge, was kind enough to provide the hair cut for her.



From Our Family To Your's

Have a Happy and Safe Holiday Season!

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NOTICE OF PASSING OF A ZONING BY-LAW Planning Act, 1990, c. P.13, ss.34(18), O.Reg. 545/06

APPLICANT: TOWN OF FORT ERIE FILE #: 350309-0341

TAKE NOTICE that the Council of the Town of Fort Erie passed By-law Number 130-11 on the 12th day of December, 2011 under section 34 of this Planning Act, 1990.

AND TAKE NOTICE that any person or agency may appeal to the Ontario Municipal Board in respect of the by-law by filing with the Clerk of the Town of Fort Erie not later than the 13th day of January, 2012, a notice of the appeal setting out the objection to the by-law and the reasons in support of the objection. Any appeal must be accompanied by the Board's fee of \$125.00. A certified cheque or money order in this amount must be payable to the Minister of Finance must accompany the Notice of Appeal.

Only individuals, corporations and public bodies may appeal a zoning by-law to the Ontario Municipal Board. A Notice of Appeal may not be filed by an unincorporated association or group. However, a Notice of Appeal may be filed in the name of an individual who is a member of the association or the group on its behalf. No person or public body shall be added as a party to the hearing of the appeal unless, before the by-law was passed, the person or public body made oral submissions at a public meeting or written submissions to the council or, in the opinion of the Ontario Municipal Board, there are reasonable grounds to add the person or public body as a party. An explanation of the Purpose and Effect of the By-law, describing the lands to which the By-law applies may be found below. No key map showing the location of the lands to which the By-law applies is shown since the by-law applies to all lands within the corporate limits of the Town of Fort Erie. The complete By-law is available for inspection in the Clerk's office and Community and Development Services office during regular office hours and can also be found on the Town of Fort Erie Website: www.forterie.on.ca

PURPOSE AND EFFECT

The Town of Fort Erie has initiated a technical housekeeping amendment of the Town's Zoning By-law to update the requirements for accessible parking. The Town has conducted a review of its minimum standards for accessible parking spaces at new development. The objective is to enhance the Town's requirements for accessible parking spaces and parking space dimensions to a level consistent with provincial guidelines and municipal best practices.

The purpose and effect of By-law No. 130-11 is to amend Zoning By-law 129-90 as follows:

New Definitions and Amended Definitions

An amendment of the Zoning By-law has revealed a need for the following new definition to be introduced: "Health Care Facility". A revision to an existing definition to provide clearer meaning and understanding is proposed for "Municipality".

Repealed and New Paragraphs

Section 6.22 (1) of Zoning By-law No. 129-90 which requires accessible parking is to be repealed.

"Section 6.22 (M) Accessible Parking Spaces" is being added to Zoning By-law No. 129-90 in order to implement the proposed standards for the minimum number of accessible parking spaces, accessible parking space dimensions, and signage.

DATED AT THE TOWN OF FORT ERIE THIS 24TH DAY OF DECEMBER, 2011.
CAROLYN KETT, TOWN CLERK

(4) PARKS & LEISURE SERVICES 2011 CHRISTMAS HOLIDAY PUBLIC SKATING



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- 4 tomatoes, sliced

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crumbled
- 6 thin slices prosciutto, cut in half
- 2 mozzarella cheeses, (10 oz.
/250 g), each cut into 6 slices
- Chopped fresh herbs, e.g. parsley,
chives, basil, to garnish



How to make it

- 1 Cut the pastry into six equal pieces and roll each to a rectangle measuring 9 in. x 6 in. (23 cm x 15 cm). Cut each rectangle into six 3-in. (7.5-cm) squares, to make 36 squares.
- 2 Preheat the oven to 425°F (220°C/Gas Mark 7). Dampen enough baking sheets to lay out the pastry squares.
- 3 Place the pastry squares on the baking sheets, leaving a space between them, and divide the pepper slices and Parmesan between 12 of them. Top another 12 with the tomato slices and goats' cheese, and the final 12 with the prosciutto and mozzarella.
- 4 Bake in the oven until the pastry is puffed and golden brown, about 10–15 minutes.
- 5 Serve the mini tartlets warm, sprinkled with chopped fresh herbs of your choice.

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Richard Shular

Holiday Greetings



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1 teaspoon pepper
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1/2 teaspoon dried thyme
14 cups dried white bread, cubed

Preparation

In a large frying pan, melt butter over a medium heat. Fry onions and celery together with the dried herbs, salt and pepper, stirring often, until vegetables are tender, about 10-15 minutes. Transfer the mixture to a very large bowl. Add the bread cubes and mix well. If you are making the stuffing ahead, transfer the cooked vegetable mixture to a large bowl. Let cool and refrigerate in an airtight container for 24 hours. Mix with bread cubes before stuffing the bird.

Stuff the turkey at both ends with this mixture. (see our Roast Turkey Recipe for directions on stuffing the bird).

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Ingredients

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1 teaspoon salt
6 tablespoons unsalted butter
1 cup heavy cream

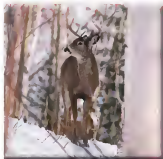
3 1/2 cups mini marshmallows
3 cups semi-sweet
or white chocolate chips
1 teaspoon pure vanilla extract
1/2 cup crushed peppermint candy

How to make it

1. Line a 9-by-13-inch baking pan with two sheets of waxed or parchment paper in a crisscross manner (one lengthwise, one crosswise) so ends overhang sides of pan; coat evenly with cooking spray.
2. In a heavy-bottomed saucepan over medium heat, cook sugar, salt, butter, cream, and marshmallows, stirring, until butter and marshmallows are almost melted, 5 to 6 minutes.
3. Bring mixture to a boil; cook, stirring occasionally, 5 minutes. Remove from heat. Add chips and vanilla; stir until chips are melted. Pour mixture into lined pan.
4. Let fudge cool in the pan at room temperature, 3 hours. Use edges of paper to lift out fudge; place on cutting board, and remove paper. Cut out shapes with cookie cutters, or cut fudge into bars. Sprinkle evenly with crushed candy.



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- 1/2 cup toasted macadamia nuts, coarsely chopped
- 2 tablespoons confectioners' sugar

How to make it

1. In a medium microwave-safe bowl, microwave 1 1/4 cups cream until hot, about 3 minutes. Add chocolate and let stand until melted, 5 to 10 minutes. Whisk to combine, then whisk in rum. Pour 1 1/2 cups chocolate mixture into crust (reserve remaining chocolate mixture). Sprinkle nuts over top. Refrigerate pie 3 hours (or up to 2 days).
2. In a large bowl, using an electric mixer, beat 2 cups cream with sugar on high until stiff peaks form, 2 minutes. Top pie with whipped cream, then dot with reserved chocolate mixture. With a skewer, gently swirl chocolate through whipped cream.



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- 1/2 teaspoon oregano
- 1/2 cup water

Toppings

- 6 cups corn tortilla chips
- 3/4 cup chopped green onion

How to make it

1. Heat olive oil in a large saucepan over medium heat. Add minced onions and cook until onions begin to soften, about 4 minutes. Add garlic, chili powder, cumin and oregano and cook, stirring, for 1 minute.
2. Stir in water, tomato soup, diced tomatoes, salsa, shredded turkey, parsley and bouillon cubes. Bring to a boil, then reduce heat, and simmer 5 minutes or until bouillon cubes dissolve. Add black beans, corn, sour cream and cilantro. Simmer for 20 to 30 minutes.
3. Serve soup with crushed tortilla chips, chopped green onion, shredded cheese and additional cilantro and sour cream.

- 1 (10.75 ounce) can condensed tomato soup
- 1 (28 ounce) can diced tomatoes
- 1 cup salsa
- 4 cups shredded cooked turkey
- tablespoon dried parsley
- 3 chicken bouillon cubes

- 1 (14 ounce) can black beans, rinsed, drained
- 2 cups frozen corn
- 1/2 cup sour cream
- 1/4 cup chopped fresh cilantro



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Turkey Pot Pie

Ingredients

- 1 recipe pastry for a (10 inch) double crust pie
- 4 tablespoons butter
- 1 small onion, minced
- 2 stalks celery, chopped
- 2 carrots, sliced
- 3 tablespoons dried parsley
- 1 teaspoon dried oregano

- salt and pepper to taste
- 2 cubes chicken bouillon
- 2 cups water
- 3 potatoes, peeled and cubed
- 1 1/2 cups cooked turkey, cubed
- 3 tablespoons all-purpose flour
- 1/2 cup milk

How to make it

1. Preheat oven to 425 degrees F (220 degrees C). Roll out bottom pie crust and place in the 10 inch pie pan and set aside.
2. Place 2 tablespoons of the butter in a large skillet. Add the onion, celery, carrots, parsley, oregano, salt and pepper. Cook and stir until the vegetables are soft. Stir in the bouillon and water. Bring mixture to a boil. Stir in the potatoes, and cook until tender but still firm.
3. In a medium saucepan, melt the remaining 2 tablespoons butter. Stir in the turkey and flour. Add the milk, and heat through. Stir the turkey mixture into the vegetable mixture, and cook until thickened. Pour mixture into the unbaked pie shell. Roll out the top crust, and place on top of filling. Flute edges, and make 4 slits in the top crust to let out steam.
4. Bake in the preheated oven for 15 minutes. Reduce oven temperature to 350 degrees F (175 degrees C) and continue baking for 20 minutes, or until crust is golden brown.



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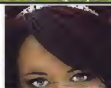
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- 6 tbsp to 10 tbsp cold water as needed

How to make it

Pastry:

1. Combine flour with salt. Cut in butter and shortening until mixture is a roughly even crumbly texture.
2. Add lemon juice and water and blend just until dough comes together. Shape into a disc, wrap and chill for 30 minutes.

Filling:

1. Toss all ingredients except butter together and set aside.
2. Preheat oven to 400 °F.
3. On a lightly floured surface, roll out half of dough to just under 1/4-inch thick. Lightly dust bottom of a 9-inch pie pan with flour

Filling:

- 8 cups peeled and sliced tart apples, such as Spy or Spartan
- 3/4 cup sugar
- 1/2 cup light brown sugar, packed
- 2 tablespoons all-purpose flour
- 1 tablespoon lemon juice

- 1 teaspoon finely grated lemon zest
- 1 teaspoon cinnamon
- 1/4 teaspoon nutmeg
- 1 tablespoon unsalted butter
- 1 egg whisked with 2 tbsp cold water for brushing
- sugar for sprinkling



and line pan with dough. Fill pastry with apples and dot top with butter.

4. Roll out remaining half of dough and place over apples. Trim and pinch edges of pie and cut in holes in top layer of pastry to let steam escape. Brush top of pie with eggwash and sprinkle lightly with sugar.
5. Bake for 10 minutes, then reduce heat to 375 °F and bake about 40 minutes, until filling is bubbling. Cool pie for at least an hour before slicing.



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Rose Seaton Public School students Connor White, left, and Ronin Hannigan from Mrs. Thomas' senior kindergarten class enjoying their turkey lunch that was served to the school on Monday, thanks to donations from local businesses.

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Paramedics support jury's recommendations from Anzovino inquest

➤ Twenty seven recommendations made by five-person panel, aimed to prevent similar deaths

Alison Langley
QMI Agency

The agency responsible for delivering paramedic services in Niagara welcomes working with partner agencies to implement a number of recommendations issued by a jury that examined the death of Fort Erie teen Reilly Anzovino.

"We are receptive of the recommendations and we look forward to working with the various parties in either implementing them or conducting feasibility

“**We are founded on the principle of wanting to be a part of continuous improvement.”**

— Niagara EMS deputy chief Kevin Smith

studies," said Kevin Smith, deputy chief of Niagara Emergency Medical Services.

"We are founded on the principle of wanting to be a part of continuous improvement."

Anzovino, 18, was critically injured following a two-car crash on Boxing

Day 2009 on Highway 3 between Fort Erie and Port Colborne. She was pronounced dead at Welland County General Hospital.

On Wednesday, a two-man, three-woman inquest jury issued 27 recommendations aimed at preventing similar deaths in the future.

"They include a number of recommendations that focus on pre-hospital care of trauma patients.

The jury had heard testimony from paramedics that a standard issued by the Ministry of Health and Long-Term Care that limits the amount of time a patient can spend in the back of an ambulance before the vehicle leaves for a hospital is often difficult to achieve.

The jury called for all Ontario EMS operators to ensure paramedics under-

stand that "load and go" is an expected standard and is to be met unless exceptional circumstances exist.

Where the standard is not met, appropriate documentation and an incident report would be filed for review.

Niagara EMS is eager to begin consulting with partner agencies on the recommendations. Smith said, as the collaboration will result in improvements to all aspects of patient care.

"Our paramedics, we believe, are some of the best paramedics in the province, if not the country," he said.

"There are things we do today that are models for the rest of the province, but that's not to say there's not an opportunity to look at new processes and new clinical practices."

The jury also recommended the Ontario Ministry of Training, Colleges and Universities examine the existing curriculum of paramedic education to ensure there's adequate education in trauma care.

The jury also called for the Anzovino case to be used as an educational example for base hospitals and all paramedic training in Ontario.

Better documentation by EMS workers was also recommended by the jury.

"That's not easy in our environment," said John Cunnane, chief of Niagara EMS.

"Patient care is more important, there's no question about that, but we will be reviewing our documentation and time standards."

Cunnane also extended condolences to the Anzovino family on behalf of Niagara EMS.

"We definitely can't forget that this family lost a daughter in a very tragic accident," he said.

"Our thoughts are very much with them, especially now as it's nearing the anniversary of that tragic evening."

Sue Matthews, interim president and CEO at the Niagara Health System, offered a similar sentiment.

"This is really about the

family and we offer our condolences and sympathies. This is such a hard time for them."

Meanwhile, there were no recommendations that specifically addressed the issue that originally launched the inquest.

When the inquest began in late October, the jury was asked to look at whether the NHS's controversial decision to close the emergency departments at Douglas Memorial Hospital in Fort Erie and Port Colborne General Hospital played a role in Anzovino's death.

Numerous medical experts testified that Anzovino had suffered such critical internal injuries that she likely would not have survived even if she had been taken to a trauma centre.

The jury did recommend that the NHS conduct a feasibility study with the Local Health Integration Network (LHIN) to look into the possibility of centralizing trauma care at a single NHS site.

Matthews said the NHS is now in the process of reviewing the recommendations and preparing to meet with partner agencies named in the recommendations, including NEMS.

"We will work with our local partners to work through the recommendations," she said.

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Meals on Wheels volunteers deliver more than just holiday cheer

Kris Dubé
The Times

Local Santas do more than just wear a red suit and hear what kids want to see under the tree on Christmas morning.

They get out into the community and help agencies such as Fort Erie Meals on Wheels, delivering hot and fresh cuisine to clients throughout Greater Fort Erie.

On Monday, five volunteers geared up and threw

on their red suits at Gilmore Lodge, where meals are prepared for the charitable service and headed out to 56 different stops throughout town to greet clients with some extra-special Christmas cheer.

"I love doing things in the

community... it's always nice to give back," said Sam Stark Jr., who has been playing the Santa Claus role for Meals on Wheels over the last four holiday seasons.

Noreen Smith is warmed not only the thickness of her elaborate Santa costume, but also by the reaction many of the senior clients have when Father Christmas decides to show up their home, instead of in plain clothes how volunteers do the rest of the year.

Last year, one woman became very emotional and was very thankful knowing the agency and its volunteers go to these lengths just to put a smile on their face.

"Some of the older people get more excited to see Santa than the kids do," said Smith.

Sandra Labelle also helped Smith add some female flavour to the deliveries, agreeing that the appreciation shown by the seniors who rely on the service is priceless, especially this time of year.

"You definitely get more out of it than what you put into it," she said.

Jim Hocking,

There's a lot of big smiles and big hugs... it's just great."

— Jim Randall

was the only one in the group who is able to incorporate his own personal style into the annual costume, growing a healthy beard since the summer, mostly just for this occasion... playing Santa Claus during the holidays.

He also enjoys how most clients respond positively to him in his Santa gear when he visits their home on a delivery day near Christmas.

"They're all kids at heart," he said.

Jim Randall said a great part of the day is driving his vehicle and responding to friendly gestures from fellow motorists, who are eager to wave at Santa as he drives through Fort Erie.

On top of that, it's the clients and their appreciation he loves the most.

"There's a lot of big smiles and big hugs, it's just great," said Randall.

Nancy Ryan, executive director for the local Meals on Wheels chapter says the Christmas deliveries fit into the normal schedule for the

service and are distributed at a normal time, like they would throughout the year.

But when the holiday season arrives, it's always nice to do something unique.

"If we can bring a little cheer, along with the year, it makes us feel so good," said Ryan.

This occasion is something the local Meals on Wheels has been doing since the late 90's and every year it wouldn't be possible without the thoughtfulness and dedication of people who donate their time to enrich the lives of others.

"We are so thankful for our volunteers," said Ryan.

Although the mood is always positive during the holiday season, Ryan explained that this is when things tend to get difficult for the non-profit group, since many of their elderly volunteers head to the southern U.S. for warmer weather and aren't usually back and ready to help until around April.

"As the snowbirds leave, we are always short of volunteers," said Ryan.

Anyone interested in helping with Meals on Wheels, should know that it doesn't require a lot of time and people can volunteer at their own leisure.

"We appreciate anyone who can do even one route a month... it's very helpful to us," said Ryan.

For more information on becoming a volunteer, you can call (905) 871- 8736.

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Meals on Wheels volunteers Jim Hocking, left, Noreen Smith, Sandra Labelle, Jody Mountain, Jean Conway and Sam Stark Jr., before heading out to deliver hot meals to over 50 clients on Monday.

The Gift of Giving



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Several volunteers could be found at the St. Vincent De Paul's headquarters, found inside St. George's Catholic Church, handing out food, books and toys to needy families in the Stevensville, Ridgeway and Crystal Beach areas.

Warming up by the Tree



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Hazel Reinhart and Debbie Ashworth of the Fort Erie Public Library stand with the mitten tree that has been on display at the centennial branch during the holiday season. Local organizations and residents knitted, gathered and purchased winter gear and books for children up to 18-years-old, that have now been donated to local charities.

Snowmobile users riding to new sidewalk rule

As soon as the first major snowfall arrives, many local snowmobile enthusiasts will be seen out and about getting use out of their machines.

But if they don't abide by the rules that were set previously in March and a recent amendment to a by-law, approved by council last month, violators could see a fine of \$250.

An enforcement mechanism is now in place for the Niagara Regional Police to issue a provincial offence to individuals riding on any sidewalk in Fort Erie.

This fine is also consistent with the parks and beaches by-law fine, which makes it an offence to operate a motorized vehicle along the Friendship Trail.

A \$100 fine is in place for failing to display a registration

number and snow-mobilers are also required to operate only during permitted hours. Riding between 12 a.m. and 6 a.m. on any day is prohibited.

Ward 1 Coun. Stephen Passero heard complaints of this issue in his jurisdiction and is satisfied to see this addition to the snowmobile by-law.

He said local residents are fortunate to have a geographical landscape that allows snowmobiling within the urban boundary and that most who participate in the recreational activity are responsible.

This by-law and the recent amendment address those who aren't.

"There is absolutely no reason whatsoever for any snowmobiler to be using a sidewalk

as their own personal highway, placing the safety of pedestrians at risk," said Passero.

Crossing at right angles and using sidewalks, getting to and from a property they have permission to use or their own residence is allowed, as with-

ten in the by-law.

Town staff says placing a \$250 fine for using a sidewalk for the operation of a motor vehicle will serve as a deterrent to riders who fail to comply with the requirements in the by-law.



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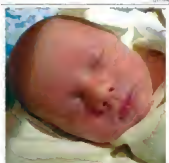
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FLETCHER

Joe Fletcher and Danielle Bristols are
pleased to announce the birth of
SEBASTIAN HENRY FLETCHER.
In order to maximize his time at Christmas,
Sebastian decided to arrive 4 weeks early,
arriving at 5:24 p.m. on Saturday, Dec. 3.
Despite his anxious nature, Sebastian topped
the scales at 6 lbs. 11 oz. and 19 inches long.
We would like to thank Anne, Al, Arnie and
Kelly from Sages-Farmas. Renaissance
Midwifery and nurse Laurie at QNGH for all
of their great work. Grandparents Dan and
Suzanne Fletcher; Geoff and Nancy Bristols
are excited about spoiling their new
grandson. Canine and Feline brothers and
sister Farley, Mick and Sydney are excited
about the food which Sebastian will drop on
the floor. Joe and Danielle wish to thank all of
their friends and family for their support and
well wishes.

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Births



PARKINSON

Mary Resmini and Paul Parkinson are proud
to announce the safe arrival of their
beautiful daughter, **Clara Linda Marjorie**
born at home on November 12th, 2011,
weighing 8 lbs. 10 oz. A baby sister for big
brother Ethan. Overjoyed are Grandparents
Linda Ogilvie and Andrew Resmini and
Christine and Brian Parkinson. Great Grand-
parents are Helen and the late Thomas
Henry Ogilvie, Marie and Thomas Parkinson,
the late Marjorie and Robert Walsh and the
late Viola and Eno Resmini. Unites Matthew,
Mark and Justin and Aunts Marta and
Michelle can't wait to spoil our princess.
Thanks to the Niagara Midwives and the
EMS for their assistance.



Welcome Home Michael!
First time parents Lisa and Elio welcome
with joy the birth of their son
MICHAEL AQUILINA

On December 15, 2011, Welcoming our
new arrival and first time Menne Linda, and
Norma Maria. Smiling from heaven are
Pope Buford and Papa Sam. Also many
uncles, aunts, cousins and Sasha are
looking forward to meeting our Angel

Announcements/greetings

What Christmas Means To Me

Ever since I was a little girl I can remember
how special Christmas was to my family. My
father stringing Christmas lights, my mother
and I decorating the tree. Snipping hot
chocolate, wrapping presents, writing letters
from Santa addressed to my younger
brother. Going to midnight mass with my
family and celebrating Baby Jesus' Birthday.
Helping my mother set the table and fix all
the linens. My mother truly loved
Christmas. Unfortunately our family was hit
with the worst imaginable news ever when
my mother, my best friend, was diagnosed
with breast cancer. It has been two years
since she has been fighting. Through all her
treatments and feeling unwell, she has not
lost her inspiration at Christmas. This year
my husband and I decorated our front maple
tree in recognition of my mother. Her attitude
and positive outlook on life has given our
family another Christmas with her and many
more to come.

I love you Mom. So Very Very Much.
Love, your daughter Ken.

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Deaths

BARDSELY, Ronald - On Tuesday
December 20, 2011 Ron passed away
suddenly at his home at the age of 65
years. Loving husband and best friend of
Margaret for 43 years. Beloved father of
Tracy Morin (Kevin), Janice Ferrara (Mario)
and Elizabeth Biggins (Mark). Cherished
grandpa of Madison, Matthew, Sydney,
Brooke, Jacob and Emily. Ron will be sadly
missed by his sister Hilary Bardseley, mother-
in-law Audrey Royer, brother-in-law Jim
McConnell (Chris) and sister-in-law Linda
McConnell. Ron will also be fondly
remembered by his many nieces, nephews
and cousins. He was predeceased by his
parents Robert and Alora Bardseley. Friends
called at **WILLIAMS FUNERAL HOME**, 722
Ridge Road N., Ridgeway on Thursday from
3-4 and 7-9 p.m. A service to celebrate
Ron's life was held on Friday morning at All
Saints Anglican Church, 149 South Main
Street at 11 o'clock. Cremation followed. In
memory of Ron, those who wish may make
a donation to the Heart & Stroke Foundation
or to a charity of choice. Sharing of
memories, pictures and condolences at
www.williamsfuneralhome.ca.



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Deaths

BLACK, Pauline Ann - Pauline passed
away peacefully on December 18th, 2011 in
her 75th year with her loving family at her
side. Beloved wife of the late Nicholas Black
(1907). Cherished mother of Mica (Tony)
Bartlett, Paul (Tina) Black and Eileen (Ben)
Black. Beloved grandmother of their boys
Kevin Bartlett, Kyle Bartlett, Daniel Black,
Owen Roberts and Brennan Black, and her
beautiful granddaughter Makenna Black.
Cherished sister of Muriel Dean of Hamilton,
Adrian Topping of Amsterdam, Collette
Donaghy of Cyprus, Nuala Robinson and
Noel Topping both of Northern Ireland.
Sadly missed by many nieces and nephews
both at home and abroad. Predeceased by
her parents Samuel and Mary Topping of
Northern Ireland. Pauline was a proud
member of the Catholic Women's League,
the Royal Canadian Legion for over 30
years and was the Past President of the
Federation of Exiles of Exiles where she was a
member for 40 years. Many will remember
her as a talented chat, having worked at
the Fort Erie Raceback Turf Club and
the Garrison Inn. **BENNER FUNERAL
SERVICES**, 1105 Benner Ave., Fort Erie
entrusted with arrangements. The family
received friends at the funeral home on
Tuesday from 2-4 & 7-9. Funeral Mass was
celebrated at St. Michael's Roman Catholic
Church on Wednesday morning at 11
o'clock. Interment to be held in Greenwood
Cemetery if so desired, donations to the
Hamilton General Hospital Cardiac Care
unit would be appreciated by the family.
"Mommy, you are absolutely the strongest
woman we have ever known and you will be
sadly missed forever."

Reflection

The Holidays allow each of us
to reflect on the importance of
friends and family.

To the many within our
community that have
entrusted us with funeral services,
we sincerely thank you.

To everyone who has
experienced a loss, it is
our hope that during
this holiday season you will
find hope and strength.

Respectfully,

Darren Flagg

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Deaths

BROWN, James Allen - (July 14, 1947 - December 15, 2011) - Passed away peacefully at Timmins and District Hospital after a brief illness in his sixty-fourth year. Jim was preceded by his children and grandchildren in his last moments which brought him great joy. Jim is survived by his four children, James (Kim) Brown of St. Catharines, Stacey (Antonio) Rondelli of Fort Erie, Stephanie (Jason) Lebrun of Timmins, and Erick Brown of Niagara Falls. Missed greatly by his seven grandchildren, Willem, Thomas, and Adriana Brown, Ava and Renny Rondelli, and Shea and Scott Lebrun. Remembered with love by his sisters Joyce, Deb, and Barb (Hugh) and his nieces and nephews. Pre-deceased by his parents, Frederick and Lillian Brown. His younger brother Robert (Bobby) Brown and his brother-in-law, Edward King Jim was born and raised in Toronto where he attended Ryerson University. Upon completion, Jim took the opportunity to travel throughout Africa and Europe where he learned the value of hard work and the joys of travel. Jim returned to Canada and travelled throughout Ontario to work on various construction projects before starting his own construction company, James A. Brown Construction Ltd. in 1978. Jim worked on many projects throughout the Niagara region for the next twenty-five years and took special joy in completing projects in his adopted hometown of Fort Erie. Special appreciation and thanks to the wonderful staff at Timmins and District Hospital. The nurses provided compassion and care beyond any expectations. A sincere thank you to Kathy, Verna, Chrissy, and Cindy. Thanks and gratitude to Dr. Julie Auger who spent countless hours providing care and support to Jim and his family over the last several months. Your kindness and friendship provided great comfort to our family. Jim will be greatly missed by his friends, colleagues, and especially his family. Arrangements are entrusted to LESSARD-STEPHENS FUNERAL HOME in Timmins and BERNER FUNERAL SERVICES in Fort Erie. The family will receive friends at Berner Funeral Services, 1105 Benner Road, Fort Erie on Thursday, December 22, 2011 from 14 pm to 7:40 pm and on Friday, December 23, 2011 from 10 am-12 pm. A service to celebrate Jim's life will be held on Friday, December 23, 2011 at 1 pm in the Berner Funeral Services Chapel. If so desired, donations to the McMaster Hospital Ronald McDonald House in Jim's memory would be appreciated. Donation link and condolences at: www.bernerfuneralservices.com

Until the day breaks,
And the shadows flee away,
Memoriam Verse #25
To remember a loved one with this verse
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Deaths

DEVEREUX, Frederick "George" - In his 96th year, Frederick "George" Devereux slipped peacefully into God's hands at the Douglas Memorial Hospital, Fort Erie, on Thurs. Dec. 22, from injuries suffered in a fall on Dec. 10. Dear husband of the late Edith (Vesterle) Devereux. Beloved father of Barry (Barbara) and "Gret Poppy" to 34 great grandchildren. Highly-regarded by his many nieces, nephews and friends. Survived by sisters Betty Charlton and Dorothy Pilkey. Predeceased by brothers Howard, Elgin, Harold, Edward and sisters Grace (Winfield) and Maude (Peggy). A great-granddaughter Melanie Devereux, RCAF LAC World War II veteran stationed in Winnipeg as an air frame mechanic. Well-known auto-mechanic at GM dealerships in Fort Erie in the late 40s, 50s and 60s. Employee of General Motors at the axle plant in East Delavan, N.Y. A man of faith, prayer and stewardship at his church and in everyday life. Avid fisherman and camper. Sincere thanks to Dr. Scher for his compassionate medical care. Deepest appreciation to the staff of Garrison Place, Fort Erie for their friendship and oversight of his well-being since 2007 and to the residents for their companionship. Funeral arrangements entrusted to the **WILLIAMS FUNERAL HOME**, 722 Ridge Road North, Ridgeway. Private viewing for family members at 1 pm Thurs. Dec. 29, followed by public visitation from 2 to 4 pm and 7 to 9 pm. Service to celebrate his life on Fri. Dec. 30 at 11 am at the Williams Funeral Home. Interment to follow at Pleasantview Memorial Gardens, Fort Erie. In lieu of flowers, donations to the scholarship fund at the Niagara Christian Community of Schools, Niagara Parkway, Fort Erie would be appreciated. Sharing of memories, pictures and condolences to the family at www.williamsfuneralhome.ca

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In memoriam



In loving memory of
Christopher Gibbons
December 25, 1972 - December 24, 2009
God's special gift to us!
You are loved beyond words.
Missed beyond measure,
Your life was a blessing.
Your memory always a treasure.
Never forgotten - living in our hearts.
Love, Mom, Mark and Tina

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Christopher Gibbons
★ ★ ★ ★ ★
★ Dear Uncle Chris ★
When each day starts without you,
We know we're not far apart,
For every time we think of you,
We know you are right here in our hearts.
Love, Elhan and Alexa.

Relly Kennedy Anzovino
December 27, 2009
It's that time of year again,
to tell you how much we miss you.
You are in our thoughts every day.
It helps to know you are in a better place
but we still want you here.
Your hugs and kisses will never be
forgotten by Nanny and Papa Kennedy.

Stephen Martin
In memory of our dear
son who died
December 23, 2000.
You still live on
In the hearts and minds
Of the loving family you left behind.
Lovingly remembered and sadly missed
by Mom and Dad.

His weary hours and days of pain,
His troubled nights were past,
And in our aching hearts we know
he has found peace at last.

Memoriam Verse #51
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In memoriam



Walter "Babe" Douglas
December 16, 2008
To a Husband, Father, Grandfather
and Great-Grandfather
Three years ago you left us to be with God.
We miss you every day in all we do.
Not a day, an event or even a simple task
goes by,
Without your influence being felt.
We continue to press on.
Knowing one day we will be together again.
Wife Jean and sons Jim, Jake, Jeff, Barry
and Families

Special In Memoriams



Carol-Ann Holwell
Passed away August 26, 2011
Mom, you are greatly missed,
your spirit is always with us. I Love You.
Kim Str. and Kim Jr.
Merry Christmas Mom, I Love You

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Evelyn Cameron

Christmas is holy,
And Santa so jolly,
Christmas is a tree
And children in their glaze.
Christmas is snow,
And fresh cookie dough,
And now Christmas is remembering you,
And the happy things we used to do.
Love, your husband Dan, your children,
grandchildren and great-grandchildren.

245-11

Frank & Flora Piorkowski

Julia Innes (Piorkowski)

In loving memory of my parents:

Frank (July 15, 2009)

And Flora (December 12, 1991)

And my sister, Julia (February 23, 2011)

Those we love remain with us
For love itself lives on.
And cherished memories never fade
Because a loved one is gone.
Those we love can never be
More than a thought apart,
For as long as there is memory,
They will love on in the heart.
Remembered with love,
Cathy, Oscar and Jennifer Ellinger.

245-11



Gloria Matthews

Christmas always brings back memories
Of wonderful times we knew,
A day together with family
Because, dear Mother, we had you.
Lovingly remembered at this special time
by your husband Frank,
your children, Lynda (Don), Lynn (Rick),
Kathy (Ernie), Cindy, Frankie, Mike
(Beth) and Liz (Ken), your cherished
grandchildren and great-grandchildren.

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In loving memory of my sister

June Boles

My first Christmas without you.
Missing you,
Joan

245-11

Special In Memoriams 245



In memory of our dearest and beloved son

Gilles Lacroix

Wishing today as we wished before,
That God could have spared you
many years more.

In our heart your memory is kept.
To love, to cherish and to never forget.
Remembered at Christmas and always.
Mom, brothers and sisters.

245-11

In memory of our dearest husband and father

Gerald Lacroix

I'm Free

Don't grieve for me, for now I'm free,
I'm following the path God laid for me.
I took His hand when I heard His call.
I turned my back and left it all.
I could not stay another day.
To laugh, to love, to work, to play,
Tasks left undone must stay that way,
I've found that peace at the end of the day.
If my parting has left a void,
Then fill it with remembered joy.
A friendship shared, a laugh, a kiss,
Ah, yes, these things too I will miss.
Not burdened with times of sorrow,
I wish you the sunshine of tomorrow.
My life's been full, I savoured much,
My wife, good times, a loved one, touch,
Perhaps my time seemed all too brief,
Don't lengthen it now with undue grief.
Lift up your heart and share with me,
God wanted me now, His set me free.
Wishing you were here for Christmas.
Always loved and remembered,
Fran and Family

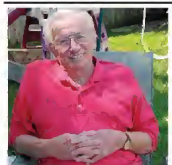
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Down a road that's calm and peaceful,
Guided by God's loving hand,
He has gone upon a journey
To a distant, brighter land.
And although our hearts are heavy
With sorrow we still bear,
It helps to bring us comfort,
Knowing he is happy there.

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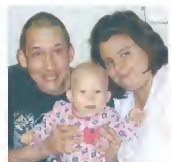


JOSEPH J. SALZER

Passed away December 4th, 2011.
Sadly missed by wife Sue, daughters Jodi,
Michelle, Samantha and their families.
Poppa Joe will be forever remembered by his
five beloved Grandchildren.

We are truly grateful to Dr. Che and the
nursing staff of final floor at DMH for the
care of Joe in his last days with us.
A sincere thank you for all the love and
support of so many friends and relatives.
Joe's love of Christmas and traditions will
always be in our memories.

245-11



Lavera Rose Barbara Broughton

May 17, 2010

Little Loves, we love you so,
We'll never know why you had to go,
But God, in His wisdom, has chosen you,
To shine as a star in His sky of blue.
So, with that thought in mind, we're sure,
That this Christmas, death can be undone.
And some day again, we'll share your smile,
And kiss your cheeks that make life worthwhile.
Lots of love from Daddy, Mommy,
Little brother, Seth, Grandpa & Grandma
Broughton, Nanna & Poppa Pichette,
Aunt Naischa & Ian, Aunt Jessica & Ed.

245-11

Special In Memoriams 245



R.W.

You're always in our thoughts
and prays at Christmas time.
Love, Skip, Joanne, Trisha, Murray and Mary

STEVE ADAMEC

In loving memory of a dear Husband, Father,
Grandfather and Great Grandfather
at Christmas.

Yuletide was fun when you were here,
Full of laughter and cheer.
Now that you're gone we miss you so.
No laughter or gifts can you to cheer.
Only a wish, a wish that's true.
Eternal peace, just for you.
We'll remember you more as the years go by,
And in our hearts you will never die.
Missing you, wife Stella, children Pauline
(Rene), Jeanette (Bill) and Jim, Grand-
children Jennifer (Gabe), Kathleen, Michael
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